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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Ex Parte* Communication
WC Docket No. 12-375; Inmate Calling Services

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Minnesota Sheriffs Association hereby files an *ex parte* communication in connection with the above-referenced proceeding. I would like to state that the Minnesota Sheriffs Association supports the comments and reply comments filed by the National Sheriffs' Association in this proceeding. The purpose of this filing is to submit additional information in support of NSA's position that Sheriffs must be allowed to recover their costs if ICS services are to continue to be widely available in jails and to urge the Commission to provide a minimum two-year transition period for jails. This is a critically important issue for the Sheriffs of the State of Minnesota and failure to find a reasonable solution is very likely to produce diminished resources being available for inmates.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

James D. Franklin, Executive Director
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